Fordyce, Sandend & District Community Council Meeting Thursday 25th January 2024 – 19:30

Present:

Cameron Ewen (CE)	Community Councillor - Chair
Phil Meadows (PM)	Community Councillor – Vice Chair (Items 1- 6B)
Claire Meadows (CM)	Community Councillor – Treasurer
John Anderson (JA)	Community Councillor – Secretary
Joanna Syversen (JS)	Community Councillor
Jane Winfield (JW)	Community Councillor
Bertie Robertson (BR)	Community Councillor
Ivan Owen (IO)	Community Councillor
Jenny Taylor (JT)	Community Councillor

Abbreviations;

Aberdeenshire Council – AC
Southern and Scottish Electricity Networks – SSEN
Fordyce and Sandend Community Council – FSDCC
Community Councillor – CC
Sandend Amenities Council – SAC
Cullen and Deskford Community Council – CDCC
Community Action Plan – CAP
Community Resilience Plan – CRP
Aberdeenshire Interim Fund – AIF

No.	Detail	Whom
1.	Apologies and declarations of interest	
	Apology – Charlie Gray	CG
	Cllr John Cox	JC
	The Chair opened the meeting at 19.32	CE
	Apologies were received as above	

	The Chair started the meeting by announcing Audrey Stewart had resigned tribute was paid to the work that AS had undertaken on behalf of FSDCC as a CC. The Chair suggested that FSDCC needed to work together in a more harmonious manner. He stated that we were all just trying to do the best for our communities and that we needed to try to assist one another. Action all CCs to work together in a more helpful manner.	All CCs
2.	Minutes of Last Meeting	
	A discussion was held concerning the MoM from the last meeting as to why the original MoM as submitted by AS had been changed. It was explained that the Chair on reading the minutes had noted several inconsistencies, after checking his notes from the meeting and had changed the minutes to more completely reflect the meeting. The Chair asked what were the areas of concern and if FSDCC wanted to change anything. The MoM were subsequently accepted as a true record. Proposed by JW and seconded by BR.	JW, BR
3.	Treasurers Report	
	Balance as of 24/01/24 - £4657.77	
	£2000 received from AC Resilience Fund. This money can be used for the 20% we are required to find to access the Aberdeenshire Interim Fund, (AIF)	CM, CE
	£600 received as a donation from Seafield Estates	
	£4909.57 spent on resilience items	
	Resilience items signed for by BR	
	Electronic cosigning of all expenditure to be set up	
4.	Police Report	
	Police report circulated. It was noted that some of the CCs do not like the new format.	
5.	Correspondence	
	The application for new grit bins was successful. It was stated that AC are to provide three new grit bins. One at the foot of Kings Road, one at the midway point as Seaview Road rises from the Bents and one at the head of Seaview Road.	
	The grit is available to all residents to use.	
		All CCs

	A sheltered housing vacancy was shared and it was suggested that CCs share the information in their networks. Mr Jack Rigby - AC Digital Stakeholder Lead Officer will attend the next FSDCC meeting. Mr Rigby to be informed of time and duration of talk and available facilities.	JA
6.	Matters Arising	
	a. Way to work together	
	Covered at start of meeting.	
	b. Website	
	There was discussion of the current operation of and access to the CC website. Various options were considered to ensure that access to post Community Council information was supported in a sustainable manner. It was agreed the Chair contact the current website administrators to obtain passwords and access to the administrator role for the website.	
	Chair to contact PM to obtain passwords and full handover of the website.	CE
	c. CRP Update	
	The Chair asked JS if she was willing to take over the Resilience Plan. JS intimated that she would take over the plan, but it would be a less ambitious plan than the current one and she would not be looking to spend large sums of money on equipment. JS stated that she would liaise with AS to get all the good work AS had put into the plan to date and would work with JT on the plan.	JS, JT
	d. CAP Update Project plans are to be developed for the various items in the CAP.	JA
	e. Coastal Paths Update	
	JA started to read the update that had been received from AC, but then asked if FSDCC would prefer the note to be recirculated. Decision that note be recirculated.	JA

	f. Planning List	
	No comments	
7.	Local updates and Reports	
	CE reported that bridge repairs at Newmill of Boyne had been completed. Work outstanding at Burnside.	
8.	Updates from Aberdeenshire Councillors	
	No Councillors in attendance	
10.	Any other business	
	No comments	
	Next Meeting	
	22 nd February 2024 19:30	